

Pownal Solid Waste and Recycling Committee

April 15, 2020
Public Proceeding Minutes
Approved

Members Present:

Zac Cote; Theresa Lofgren; Heidi Richards; Andy Wyatt

Guests:

Alan Bradstreet; Jon Morris, Select Board Chair

1. A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.
2. Mr. Bradstreet provided comment regarding the Town website, in that the pages regarding solid waste and recycling need to be updated. We should include ecomaine's recycle/not recycle list.
3. Ms. Richards, the Town's ecomaine board member, reported major changes at ecomaine in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many are working from home. Masks are required for 'close work'. Employees must document instances where they're less than 6 feet apart for greater than 10 seconds.
4. Selectman Morris provided the Select Board's vision for this committee:
 - a. Please grapple with the 'bigger issues', regarding solid waste and recycling.
 - b. Energize the Town to re-orient with regard to purchasing decisions, composting, etc.

Mr. Morris also suggested quadrupling the budget for postage to support public education regarding recycling matters.

5. Ms. Richards accepted the role of chair, with Mr. Wyatt acting as co-chair
6. Mr. Wyatt related that this committee has been quite inactive for the past several years. The only output recently has been a budget proposal.

He provided an overview of the budget creation process, with details on how to arrive at reasonable budget values for each expense or revenue line. The committee decided that for this fiscal year Mr. Wyatt would again generate a budget proposal, and plan to incorporate the entire committee for the next cycle.

7. The next meeting date was not set. Ms. Richards will call a meeting early in 2021.
8. Mr. Wyatt made a motion for adjournment. The motion was seconded. The motion passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Wyatt